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11. The following responses are keyed to paragraph four of reftel:

A.) The Political/Economic (P/E) and the Foreign Commercial Service (FCS) sections are the two offices tasked with handling energy matters at post.

The P/E Section has 8 employees:

5 Foreign Service Officers
- P/E Counselor
- Deputy Counselor/Economic Counselor
- Political Chief
- Economic Officer
- Political Officer
1 Office Management Specialist
1 Eligible Family Member
1 American Direct Hire/Locally Engaged Staff

The FCS Section has 6 employees:

1 Senior Commercial Officer
5 Locally Engaged Staff

B.) The positions of employees that work on energy matters and the percentage of time devoted are as follows:

- Deputy Counselor/Economic Counselor: 10% of the time
- Economic Officer: 30% of the time
- Senior Commercial Officer: 20% of the time
- 1 FCS Locally Engaged Staff: 80% of the time

C.) The following are brief narrative descriptions of the positions of employees that work on energy matters:

- Deputy Counselor/Economic Counselor: Meets with senior host-government contacts on climate change and manages reporting on energy developments and Department of Energy initiatives.
- Economic Officer: Reports on energy developments involving Portugal, including oil and gas exploration and production projects and bilateral/multilateral agreements.
- Senior Commercial Officer: Monitors energy sector developments from the commercial and investment side, develops contacts within the private sector, and provides company advocacy and counseling.
- 1 FCS Locally Engaged Staff: Reports on commercial activities in the sector, promotes U.S. exports by facilitating company match-making, recruits delegations for industry trade shows, and conducts market research.

1B. The amounts of State Department funds spent by post in FY 2007 on energy-related activities:

- Personnel: 10% of Deputy Counselor/Economic Counselor's salary; 30% of Economic Officer's salary; 20% of Senior Commercial Officer's salary; and 80% of 1 FCS Locally Engaged Staff's salary.
- Programs: None to report.

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